

## TOY DRIVE REMINDER

This notice is a friendly reminder that our toy drive is **Saturday, December 8, 2018**. Our recipient this year is **Restfull Nights**, a residence for homeless families in South Jamaica. There are about **170** children this year, ages **newborn - 12**. **Stuffed animals (no smaller than eight inches or preferably larger), dolls, toys without small parts for the younger children, musical instruments, play doh, craft kits, games, puzzles without a lot of pieces, and art supplies** will work. **Consider aesthetics, safety, appropriateness, and simplicity.** "A thing of beauty is a joy forever." Let's aim to give at least 170 toys to make all the children happy. **Anything high tech, toy weapons, cds, dvds, batteries, and plastic and painted (think lead based from China) are not recommended.** Please keep all toys unwrapped and **tags unremoved**. Price stickers should be removed also. **Throw out all receipts from plastic bags.** **NEW** toys are strongly advised by yours truly and Restfull Nights. **Strive to give quality. Give a gift you would want to receive if you were a child.**

I hope more people are inspired to give this year. The gifts last year were really appreciated.

We've been invited to Restfull Nights' annual holiday party on **Sat., Dec. 22, 2018 from 12 noon - 5 p.m.** Bring a dish and help out. Location details to follow.

### Suggested Stores to Shop in Queens and Manhattan

Target

Toys or Babies 'R Us (particularly the one at Rego Center)

Kohl's (\$5 toys by cash registers)

T.J. Maxx, Marshall's, Home Goods

Century 21

Papyrus

Cosmetic Market (not just cosmetics) – 15 East 37<sup>th</sup> St. btwn 5<sup>th</sup> & Madison Ave.

Various good card & stationery stores such as Hallmark

Be adventurous and explore. Experience the joy of shopping. **Be generous.**

Suggested cost per toy: **\$5– 10+**

Happy Shopping,

Michelle